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GEORG BLASCHKE

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## REPLY

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated August 31, 2005, please reconsider  
the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

## REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being  
anticipated by Stürmer. In the previous reply by Applicant, Applicant had submitted  
declarations stating that the present invention was completed before the § 371(c)(1), (2), (4)  
date of the Stürmer patent. Examiner rejected these declarations because they failed to  
provide sufficient evidence to establish diligence. Applicant respectfully submits a  
declaration stating that a prototype of the claimed invention was constructed prior to the §